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- 1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. WE ASSUME THAT THE TANZANIANS HAVE INVITED SALIM SALIM TO BE PRESENT FOR THE OPENING OF THE REVIVED ARUSHA TALKS ON RWANDA APRIL 23, AND THAT SALIM INTENDS TO 6ET THE OAU ENGAGED AGAIN.
- 3. ADDIS SHOULD TALK WITH SALIM BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE TO ENCOURAGE HIM TO SUPPORT STRONGLY THE PROCESS. YOU MAY REMIND SALIM THAT AT ARUSHA IN AUGUST, ALL PARTICIPANTS

UNCLASSIFIED

PRAISED THE ROLE OF THE OAU AND SAW THE SUCCESS OF THE ARUSHA PROCESS AS A GREAT SUCCESS FOR THE OAU. THE EVENTS SINCE APRIL 5 HAVE BEEN A TERRIBLE BLOW TO THE PROCESS, BUT IT IS STILL POSSIBLE TO RECOVER, AND IT IS CLEARLY IN THE INTEREST OF THE OAU TO RECOVER AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE OF THE ARUSHA PROCESS.

4. OF PERHAPS EQUAL IMPORTANCE FOR THE OAU ARE THE VIEWS WE HEAR FROM BURUNDIANS, THAT THE RESUMPTION OF ARUSHA

WILL CALM THE SITUATION IN BURUNDI AND HELP PREVENT A SPILLOVER OF THE RWANDAN VIOLENCE INTO BURUNDI.

- 5. YOU MAY SHARE WITH SALIM AND/OR JOE FELLI, IF HE IS STILL INVOLVED, OUR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE U.S. OBSERVER IN SEPTEL.
- 5. BUJUMBURA MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. CHRISTOPHER

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